

February 28, 2002

Mr. Richard Durden
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Dear Mr. Durden:

This is in response to your December 20, 2001 letter in which you petitioned the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to amend § 61.19 (b) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations. The change you request would extend the period of time for which a student pilot certificate is valid.

The FAA has a rulemaking action underway in the area of the rule you recommend changing. Your comments and arguments for a rule change will be considered as part of this project.

Because your situation will be addressed in an ongoing rulemaking, your petition will not be addressed as a separate action and is therefore denied.

Accordingly, Docket No. Faa-2002-11445 is being closed. A copy of the completed FAA action will be forwarded to you.

Sincerely,

/s/
Ida M. Klepper
Manager, Airmen and Airspace Rules Division

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